AMENDMENT TO COMMITTEE PRINT OFFERED BY MR. SHIMKUS

At the end of title VII, insert the following:

| 1 | SEC STUDY ON THE BENEFITS OF ECONOMIC DIS |
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| 2 | PATCH. |
| 3 | (a) Study.—The Secretary of Energy, in coordinate |
| 4 | tion and consultation with the States, shall conduct a |
| 5 | study on— |
| 6 | (1) the procedures currently used by electric |
| 7 | utilities to perform economic dispatch, |
| 8 | (2) identifying possible revisions to those proce- |
| 9 | dures to improve the ability of nonutility generation |
| 10 | resources to offer their output for sale for the pur- |
| 11 | pose of inclusion in economic dispatch; and |
| 12 | (3) the potential benefits to residential, com- |
| 13 | mercial, and industrial electricity consumers nation |
| 14 | ally and in each state if economic dispatch proce- |
| 15 | dures were revised to improve the ability of non- |
| 16 | utility generation resources to offer their output for |
| 17 | inclusion in economic dispatch. |
| 18 | (b) Definition.—The term "economic dispatch" |
| 19 | when used in this section means the operation of genera |
| 20 | tion facilities to produce energy at the lowest cost to reli- |
| 21 | ably serve consumers, recognizing any operational limits |

22 of generation and transmission facilities.



- 1 (c) Report to Congress and the States.—Not
- 2 later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act,
- 3 and on a yearly basis following, the Secretary of Energy
- 4 shall submit a report to the Congress and the States on
- 5 the results of the study conducted under subsection (a),
- 6 including recommendations to the Congress and the States
- 7 for any suggested legislative or regulatory changes.

